

Claims

- [c1] What is claimed is:
- 1.A scanner comprising:
- a housing;
- a transparent platform installed on the housing for a document to be placed on;
- a scanning module installed inside the housing for scanning the document, the scanning module being capable of moving from a home position to a position corresponding to the document;
- a driving device for driving the scanning module and for driving the scanning module back to the home position after the scanning module has scanned the document; and
- a controller for controlling the driving device;
- wherein when the scanning module stops at the home position, the controller is capable of controlling the driving device to drive the scanning module to a maintenance position, the maintenance position being different from the home position, and then controls the driving device to stop driving the scanning module so that the scanning module remains in the maintenance position.
- [c2] 2.The scanner of claim 1 further comprising a plurality of hooks installed inside the housing for preventing the scanning module from touching the transparent platform.
- [c3] 3.The scanner of claim 1 wherein the controller comprises at least a controlling switch; when a user touches the controlling switch, the controller then controls the driving device to drive the scanning module to the maintenance position.
- [c4] 4.The scanner of claim 3 wherein the controlling switch is installed on the housing.
- [c5] 5.The scanner of claim 3 wherein the controlling switch is installed on an inner surface of the housing.
- [c6] 6.The scanner of claim 1 wherein the controller comprises a plurality of controlling switches for managing the scanning module according to managements of a user; when the user touches the controlling switches

according to a predetermined mode, the controller controls the driving device to drive the scanning module to the maintenance position.

- [c7] 7. The scanner of claim 1 wherein the maintenance position is adjacent to the transparent platform.
- [c8] 8. The scanner of claim 1 further comprising a track installed inside the housing for the scanning module sliding thereon.
- [c9] 9. The scanning of claim 1 wherein the scanning module comprises a light-emitting device for emitting light onto the document; when the scanning module stops at the maintenance position, the light device stops emitting light.